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In re Application of:

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USED TO IMPROVE HEALTH AND WELL BEING

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Box PA Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants file this Preliminary Amendment concurrently with the above-identified continuation patent application under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(b). Please enter this amendment before undertaking examination of this application, and before calculation of the filing fee.

Please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Before line 1, on page 1, please insert:

--This application is a continuation application of U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/475,992, filed December 30, 1999, which is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/323,158, filed June 1, 1999, which is a continuation